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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 - EXPEDITED
PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1636**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Mahajan et al.	Confirmation No.:	9734
Appl. No.:	09/236,995	Group Art Unit:	1636
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2003, and is presented in the "Revised Amendment Format" that is now permitted pursuant to the *Official Gazette* Notice of February 25, 2003. Reconsideration and reexamination of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.